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ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC 201

LETTER FROM PROFESSOR PLASKETT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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Victoria, B. C., April 21, 1920.

Prof. J. H. Moore,  
President Astronomical Society of Pacific,  
Lick Observatory,  
Mt. Hamilton, Cal.

Dear Professor Moore:—

As you no doubt know an excursion is being arranged to this observatory as part of the programme of the meeting of the Pacific Coast Section of the American Association and of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific at Seattle in June.

I beg to extend through you a hearty invitation to all members of the Society to visit the observatory at this particular time or at any other time that may be convenient to them. We are always glad to see those interested in astronomy at the Observatory and I can assure them of a cordial welcome and an opportunity to see the work of the Observatory.

Yours sincerely,  
J. S. PLASKETT, *Director*.

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RESIGNATION OF DR. CURTIS

I regret to announce that Dr. Heber Doust Curtis, Astronomer in the Lick Observatory, has resigned to accept appointment as Director of the Allegheny Observatory of the University of Pittsburgh. The change of position will occur on July 1st. I desire at the same time to congratulate the Allegheny Observatory upon obtaining a director so well fitted by personality and scientific qualities to serve in succession to Langley, Keeler, Wadsworth and Schlesinger. The astronomers and all the members of the Mount Hamilton community are reconciled with difficulty to the departure of Dr. Curtis and his family. They have fitted most admirably into the scientific and social life of the mountain, and their loss will be seriously felt.

Dr. Curtis, born in Detroit, Michigan, is a graduate of the University of Michigan, where his chief subjects of interest were the classic languages. In the middle '90's he was Professor of Latin and Greek in Napa College, California, and in the late '90's he was